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SKILLINGTON

Dr. Gehring's happy suggestion as to the above name may be considered not only as a recognition of the service of two persons whose gracious, unostentatious spirit of friendliness has so made for the happiness and well-being of a neighborhood, but also as a perpetuation of the name of the founder of the industry about which the little colony has clustered. Mr. David U. Skillington, of Winchester, Mass., the father of our Mr. Skillington.

A strong man of the middle years of the last century, which we who look back regretfully, are wont to call the Golden Age of New England, he represented a type of men no longer existent, because the conditions under which they are bred—the wrestle with hardship, the simplicity of living, the concrete religious creed—are in this luxury-loving age rarely found.

He was a man of constructive energies and dauntless purposes, with that just pride in his enterprises which characterized the business men of his day. He built success upon broad conceptions and resistlessly prosecuted plans. With an alert civic consciousness he was always generously alive to all the interests of the beautiful town where he lived. He was for many years one of the standard-bearers of his political party in his state.

His devotion to his family led him to delight in lavishing his wealth upon them. He built spacious homes about him for his children and gave them the widest opportunities of schools and travel and other means of enrichment. Like most of the upright men of his time he was possessed of strong religious principles and lived as in the presence of a personal God—not merely the Power which made for righteousness, but to whom he owed his accountability.

It is well for us in the welter of chaotic, disintegrating forces to look back upon the record of such lives as his, by whom were laid the foundation of what is permanent and of value, and of whom it may be said as Emerson said of one of his townsmen, "When he sat down upon a bare bench then Honour came and sat beside him."

We feel sure that if anything would induce so modest a man as Mr. Julius P. Skillington, whose benefactions are always most unobtrusively done, to permit the public use of his name, it would be that he felt it also involved a tribute to his father's memory.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Miss Grace Van Den Kerkhof was visitor at the Academy, Monday.

Doris Dennen, 20, an inmate of Hall Hall, spent the week end with Katharine Brown, 21.

Declarations are due from the members of the Junior and Senior classes Friday of this week.

"Baby Day" was observed by the girls, Friday, Jan. 16. Hair ribbons and dolls appeared in large numbers.

Professor Hanson, who has been ill a few days, is much improved, and expects to resume his work at the Academy soon.

The Y. W. C. A. held its weekly meeting at Holden Hall, Tuesday afternoon. The topic, "Readiness for Service," was ably discussed under the leadership of Doris Keene.

The Academy basketball team won easy victory over Woodstock High school, Saturday evening, Jan. 17. The strength of the Gould's team will manifest Friday evening, Jan. 23, as we meet the fast Norway High team. This undoubtedly will be one of the best games of the season, and will draw a large crowd of fans.

WHITE MOUNTAIN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The graduates and former students of the University of Maine residing in New Hampshire, and around the country, have formed an association to hold a meeting and banquet at the University of Maine, January 30. All former students of the University of Maine are invited. Dr. Kley, Dean of the University of Maine, will attend this meeting.

George F. Rich, President; D. W. McLean, Secretary.

GOVERNMENT SEEDS

Representative Wallace H. White, Jr., as that he will have his allotment of Government seeds as usual this year. Anyone desiring the same should send their name to him at Wash-

GRANGE NEWS

OXFORD POMONA
Oxford Pomona Grange will hold its February meeting at Bryant's Pond, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

MOUNTAIN VIEW GRANGE
Mountain View Grange held its regular meeting, Tuesday evening, Jan. 6, to install the newly elected officers for 1920. The work was done in a very pleasing and efficient manner by Deputy C. D. Penbody of Winthrop Grange, Shelburne, N. H., assisted by Florence Bryant and Goldie Wight, with Mae Curtis as pianist. He also introduced several new features which added to the impressiveness of the work. There was a good attendance and four visitors from Winthrop Grange, Shelburne, N. H. were present. Following the installation an oyster supper, doughnuts and coffee were served, after which a social hour was enjoyed by all.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE
The regular meeting of Bear River Grange was held in their hall, Jan. 17, W. M. Earl Davis in the chair. During the business session, which was a busy one, the following committees were appointed for 1920: Executive Committee, H. S. Hastings. Finance: Fred Wight, C. P. Saunders, Earl Davis. Charity: Pearl Chapman, E. W. Stearns and wife, Nettie Flint. Pianist, Fero Brink. Janitor: Ezra Chapman.

Literary program:
Song, encore, Bro. and Sister Brink. Roll Call, each member naming one thing Bear River Grange ought to do this year. A number of timely suggestions were made.
Instrumental Music, Davis Brothers.
Recitation, Alice Smith.
Song, encore, L. E. Wight.
Song, encore, Bros. Brink and Emmet.
Members whose last names begin with letters of the alphabet from A to M are to entertain at the next meeting. Committee, Mabel Bailey and Nellie Holt.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
Morning service at 10:45. Sunday School at 12.
Evening meeting at 7. Subject, "A World Church for World Service." Scripture reference, John IV, 35-38, Matt. IX, 35-38.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Curtis, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.
All services at this church will be omitted next Sunday, as the pastor will be away with the case to attend the Boys' Conference in Lewiston.
The delegates from the 20th Century Club are: Edward Hanson, Luther Morse, Laura Tyler, Guy Patterson and Harold Bennett.
Mid-week services Wednesday afternoon at 7 o'clock. This service will be omitted next week as the pastor will be in Waterville to attend a meeting of the directors of the Maine Missionary Society.

W. R. C. INSTALLATION

At the W. R. C. private installation held Wednesday evening, Jan. 14, the following officers were installed in a very pleasing manner by Mrs. Eva Hastings of Bethel.
President, Helen Baker.
S. V. P., Emily Forbes.
J. V. P., Nellie Davis.
Chaplain, Edna Wheeler.
Secretary, Eva Hastings.
Treasurer, Alice Jordan.
Conductor, Eva Herick.
Guard, Mrs. L. Olmstead.
Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening was spent.

Notice to Magazine Subscribers

The printers' strike in New York City has greatly interfered with the regular issue of many periodicals. The total backlog for December and January, Black Cat for January, and Motor for October and November were not published. January and February (Motor), March and April (Motor), May and June (Motor), and July and August (Motor) issues will be combined in one issue of the People's Home Journal, Christian Herald, Independent, Everybody's, Delicater, Travel and numerous other periodicals have been greatly delayed, but these publishers are rapidly catching up with their mailing schedules.

All serials will be completed in full and publishers will extend subscriptions so there will be no loss to the subscriber.
CARL L. BROWN,
The Subscription Man,
BETHEL, MAINE.

EARLY MAINE HISTORY

SIR FERDINANDO GORGES

The founders of nations and communities are of more than passing interest, and yet how many people could name the founder of the State of Maine? Perhaps multitudes have never heard of him, much less the details of the notable accomplishment of his romantic life.

An elaborate celebration of the centennial of the State of Maine is contemplated for this year. Much will be said and done commemorating the event of a new star admitted among the galaxies in the banner of the Union in 1820, and of the centennial of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine. No doubt men of Maine who have ranked high in the councils of the nation, men of leadership in all branches of human activity will be applauded. Maine can well be proud of her poets, statesmen, diplomats and men of affairs, but the full story of the history of the state will not be told unless something is said of the founder, Sir Ferdinando Gorges.

For the many interesting facts in the life of this remarkable man which should be known to all our citizens, we are indebted to local historians, the Honorable James P. Baxter, and the Honorable Augustus Moulton.

The Gorges family was an ancient one, claiming to have come to England with William the Conqueror. It was during the stirring days of Queen Elizabeth that our hero was born in London, about 1566. Men in those days could do many things, write verses, shine at court, sail ships, fight duels, vanquish enemies, or seek adventure overseas. Records show Gorges as a captain of troops which Queen Elizabeth sent to Holland in 1587 to assist William the Silent against Spain. We would expect to find him sharing in the events of the memorable year 1588, when the so-called "Invincible Armada" was defeated. But Gorges was a prisoner in France at that time. After an exchange of prisoners he was again in the field the next year, and was wounded at the siege of Paris. By these and other records of military service on the continent, we are enabled to note that the founder of Maine was a man filled with the spirit of the days of Good Queen Bess of honored memory.

Spain made further plans to invade England after the crushing defeat of the Armada, and it was expected that Plymouth would be the point of attack. Gorges took charge of the erection of the defenses there and when in 1596 these were completed he was made Commander of the fortifications. In the long war with Spain, Gorges was among the most active in the defense of England. He also accompanied Sir Walter Raleigh in an attack against the enemy and shared in the disastrous outcome.

In these eighteen years of warfare with Spain, England developed many daring and adventurous spirits by land and sea. And it was not the temper of the age to allow Spain to remain in possession of the new western continent. In 1603 Henry the Fourth of France gave a charter to a colonization company under De Monts, which, by the way, established its first settlement on St. Croix Island in Maine in 1604. By this act France set aside the Spanish claim to the American continent and these stormy days could not be expected to do less. So Captain George Weymouth in 1605 explored the coast of North Virginia, as the northern shore, including Maine, was then called, and set up a cross on Mount Argus Island in token of sovereignty. He selected the mouth of the Kennebec as a good place to found a permanent colony. His report was so enthusiastically received that in 1606 two companies were formed under one Executive Council to forward the enterprise. Sir Ferdinando Gorges, the Commander of Plymouth, together with Sir John Popham, the Chief Justice of England, took a leading part in the company, with a special interest in the North Virginia, launched with great promptness Sir Ferdinando sent the experienced navigator Captain (John) Smith to the coast of Maine. Unfortunately he fell in with the Spaniards on the West India and was taken prisoner. Sir John Popham, a little later, sent Martin Pring, another noted explorer, with another ship in support of Plymouth, with a still more favorable report of the possibility for a settlement at the mouth of the Kennebec. We can see that if an misadventure had occurred the laurels for first settlement would have fallen to Maine in 1606 instead of the distinction falling to North Carolina for the London Company's successful colony at Jamestown in 1607.

In any case, Sir Ferdinando Gorges was the promoter by which results were obtained. The story of the arrival of

the "Gift of God" and the "Mary and John" with one hundred and twenty settlers at Sagadahock off where is now Segun Light, August 19, 1607, and the settlement of the Popham colony and its subsequent failure from the death of Governor Popham, the severity of the climate, mismanagement, and the hostility of the Indians need not be told here. Let it suffice to say, that the doughty knight, the founder of Maine, so long as he lived gave most animatedly of wealth, energy, and zeal for the great object of his life, the colonization and the christianization of New England, a name which John Smith in the later employ of Gorges, applied to the territory. As time advanced the remnant of the abandoned Sagadahock settlement who were scattered in that region these seeking the fishing and trading opportunities which the new world offered. Gorges was so earnest in his settlement scheme that he employed Captain John Smith who had so much experience at Jamestown, but repeated shipping disasters and the misfortune of war prevented him from reaching his post in Maine. Gorges sent out Richard Viers in 1611, who spent a winter at the mouth of the Kennebec. Although failing in the success that attended the efforts of the South Vir-

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BETHEL INN

Dr. F. J. Welch of Portland was registered at the Inn the 15th.

Pittsburgh Watkins of Winchester, Mass., spent the week at Bethel Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fuller of Bethel were supper guests at the Inn, Saturday evening.

Mrs. W. B. Drummond of Portland and son are at the Inn for a two weeks outing.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. L. H. Cilly, Manager of Bethel Inn, served tea to the guests and their friends. The occasion was much enjoyed.

W. H. Norton of Portland, representing Cook, Everett & Pennell, was at the Inn the 19th and 20th, leaving for Hanover, Wednesday morning with a two horse sleigh.

Salesmen stopping at the Inn the past week were: H. L. Haskell, Seward J. Marsh, W. C. Blake, C. P. Nelson, H. A. Lovell, A. W. Vickerson, all of Portland; H. T. Lowell, Lewiston; S. W. Neely, Boston.

E. W. Fairweather of Boston is again making this territory for the Goodrich Tire people. He was in France during the war, and after returning home, was given other territory for a time. His old friends are glad to have him among them once more. He was registered at the Inn the 19th and 20th.

MRS. ANNIE E. ATHERTON

Mrs. Annie E. Atherton, widow of the late Charles D. Atherton, formerly of Bethel, died at her home in Gorham, Me., Tuesday, Jan. 9.

Mrs. Atherton was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dargin of Cambridge, Mass., and was born there seventy-five years ago.

In 1864 she married Mr. Charles D. Atherton and to them were born five children, none of whom are now living. Mr. and Mrs. Atherton lived in Newbury for five or six years, later moving to Bethel.

One grandchild, Evangeline Atherton, a graduate of Gorham Normal School, now a teacher in Winsorville, Conn., to whom Mrs. Atherton has been a mother, survives.

The funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon and the interment was in Mount Will Cemetery, North Bethel.

MORE BOYS THAN GIRLS

A singular fact, brought out through the examination of vital statistics records for the past few years, is that more boys are born each year in Maine than girls. Of course the difference is not tremendous, but general pronouncement of all male births over females is to be observed. The last figures available show 337 males and 329 females born during 1918. Comparison of birth records by counties show that Cumberland, Lincoln, Piscataquis, Waldo and York have a slight excess of the girl babies over the boys, while Aroostook, Androscoggin, Franklin, Hancock, Kennebec, Knox, Oxford, Penobscot, Sagadahoc, Somerset and Washington counties show a predominance of the males. The most marked differences are in Penobscot where the male births exceed the female by 153 and in Aroostook where the increase of boys over girls is 115.

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington

By J. E. Jones

SEASONABLE STUFF

'Tis the Winter before the Summer when they nominate men to be voted for in the Fall. It is not because there are any hungry Democrats in the country, after these fat seven years under their party control, that the leaders of that party chartered two Washington hotels for their Jackson Day Dinner. Be that as it may, the party chieftains responded to "that all-soothing, over-powering knell; the tocsin of the soul—the dinner bell." It is well known that Mr. Bryan was there; and there were also present all the big and little Mr. Fixits, who brought mild reservations, or a soft spot on the treaty. Thus history has been enriched by another page under the chapter called after Jackson. But the story has not been changed very much, and the great event in Democratic party councils reads like seasonable stuff that has been unloaded many times in the Winter before the Summer when they nominate men to be voted for in the Fall.

In this season there are red berries among the green leaves upon the holly branches. This is to remind us that Mathew Henry more than two centuries ago warned posterity that "many a dangerous temptation comes to us in fine gay colours that are but skin-deep," and while the Democrats have been eating their red berries at Jackson Day dinners, the Republicans have been shaking out their green holly leaves in order that the country might not for a moment be unmindful of the fact that their political bush is enjoying fine health right now while Republican Mr. Fixits are likewise busy with the affairs that come to their attention in the Winter before the Summer when they nominate men to be voted for in the Fall.

That person would deserve to be called dull who could not see in the fact that the two branches of Congress are Republicans, and entirely able to tie the Democratic administration up in bow-knots, cause for joy in the fortunes of the present, and hope and faith in the future, for these Republican leaders are not wasting much time coming to Washington to eat dinners, but from every report it seems certain that their counselors are keeping in close touch with every situation, while the work in the Hastings is being done with flairs, augmented by all the modern contrivances that brains and invention have achieved.

This comment upon political affairs is greatly abbreviated, because of many necessary omissions to make it conform to the agreement between editors and the correspondent that the latter remain "non-partisan and unbiased." At the same time the writer in relating these few facts presents them as observations that may be called "seasonable stuff," especially for this season that comes as often as Leap Year in the Winter before the Summer when they nominate men to be voted for in the Fall.

THE GOVERNMENT NITRATE PLANT

Fear that German propaganda in Chile and German submarines, together with the possibility of serious damage to the Panama Canal, were responsible for the construction of the government nitrate plant at Muske Shoals, and the beginning of construction of plants at Toledo and Cincinnati, according to Secretary Baker's testimony before the House committee on War Expenditures.

Secretary Baker revealed the fact that half of the nitrate capacity of Chile was owned by German interests, and were idle during the war, and that the Allies were seriously concerned over the efforts of German agents in Chile to interfere with production from the remaining half. At one time Chile refused to allow the exportation of nitrate unless this country supplied her with oil, and in spite of the serious shortage of tankers Chile's demands were met, and the export of nitrates was continued.

Secretary Baker also revealed the fact that so serious was the need for men and supplies in Europe following the German drive in the Spring of 1918 that England gave up a large number of her grain ships to the transportation of troops from the United States.

He testified that nitrate plant now being built by the Air Nitrate Corporation, at Muske Shoals, with the first steam power plant in the world was producing ammonium nitrate for the signing of the armistice and would have met its part of the enormous nitrate production program had the

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NOTICE

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war continued into 1919. The War Department was planning for 1919 and 1920 hoping by a tremendous drive to finish the job in the latter year.

ADEQUATE AND EFFICIENT RAILROADS

The amazing growth of the United States is measured rather accurately by the records made by American railroads, and Frank H. Fayant furnishes some enlightening information along these lines. He has ascertained that the traffic hauled on American railroads is now three times as great as it was twenty years ago. In four months our railroads carry as much freight and as many passengers as they did in twelve months of the 1919 harvest movement. The traffic equaled that of the whole year of 1899. Freight ton miles first passed 100 billions a year in 1889, reached 200 billions in 1908, 300 billions in 1913, and the 400 billion mark was topped in 1918. In this same twenty years the output of pig iron, which is regarded as an unfailing barometer of prosperity, has also tripled. Assuming that "this country is going to keep right on growing," Mr. Fayant serves that "it is the capacity of the railroads to haul raw materials and finished products that determines the final productive capacity of our industries," and he ascribes the reason to be "great distances like ours, with the principal sources of raw material far removed from the great centers of consumption."

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1920.

NORWAY

At the annual meeting of Oxford County, E. G. E. officers were installed for the year by Grand Chief, James J. Anderson, grand master of records, James H. Dyer, grand first guardian, O. H. Mosley. At the social hour which followed George L. Curtis acted as toastmaster in his usual easy and pleasant manner, and responses were heard from many of the members and visitors present.

Plans are well under way for the 26th annual "Clerks' Ball" for Tuesday evening, Feb. 2. Chandler's orchestra of Portland has been secured to furnish music, and a concert of the highest grade will be given at 8 o'clock and dancing at 9 o'clock.

An enjoyable affair of Thursday evening occurred at the home of Miss Mollie Dowling when she entertained the members of the Carroll-Jefferson club with several guests. Miss Leah Pike, a former Norway girl, was the guest of honor, as she is spending several days in town on her way home from California. Hospitality and merriment were in order, and the hostess served refreshments. Those in the party were the hostess and the guest of honor, Mrs. Marion Jefferson, Miss Ruth Carroll, Miss Marjorie Barker, Miss Frances Bartlett, Miss Ruby Bethell and Miss Genevieve Barker.

Miss Della Noyes pleasantly entertained as her guests at tea Wednesday evening, Rev. and Mrs. Chester G. Miller, Prof. George A. Yeaton, Miss Gertrude Hardiner and Dr. Margaret Stevens of Portland.

Mrs. Alice Marston left Norway, Saturday forenoon and started Monday from Portland with her sister, Mrs. Frank Potnam of Norford for Fredricksburg, Va., where they are to spend the remainder of the winter with their brother, Edwin G. Whitehouse.

Miss Lucy Hall has given up her rent in the McCrellis house, and gone to Farmington, where she is to make her home with her nephew, Ellen Hall, and family.

Miss Leon Brunett of Portland is spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Everett P. Jackson.

Mrs. Walter G. Conary of Buckport is a guest at W. E. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Blake left town Saturday on a vacation trip. Mr. Blake will be gone two weeks, in Portland, Boston and Philadelphia. From the latter city, Mrs. Blake will go to

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Davis, W. Va., where she will visit friends.

W. W. Sweet closes his engagement with the Carroll-Jefferson Shoe Co., as foreman of the making room, as he goes to Lewiston to manufacture shoes in company with John W. Wood, formerly of the Norway Shoe Co., and Mr. Smith. Everett Whitman and John Cleveland O. H. Mosley. At the social hour which followed George L. Curtis acted as toastmaster in his usual easy and pleasant manner, and responses were heard from many of the members and visitors present.

Percy H. Nevers, Jr., and Floyd Harlow left Friday morning for Johnston, Pa., where they are to have employment in the Cambria Steel Works, where B. F. Faunce, son of Frank W. Faunce of Norway, is located as foreman of the wheel department.

Carl Brown of Norway Center has gone to Kittery for several weeks.

Miss Maude Atherton, who has been assisting at the B. W. Goodwin Insurance office, has finished work there. Miss Margaret A. Baker is ill at her home on Main street and under the care of a trained nurse.

Walter and Milla Currier of Auburn were in town several days last week, called home by the death of their father, George E. Currier. Charles W. Currier of Foxcroft and George Hiram Currier of Lincoln were home for the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Smith plan to start for Florida this week to spend the remainder of the winter.

Miss E. D. Duffield, superintendent of the Flower hospital in New York City, has resigned her position to accept a position as superintendent of the hospital at White Plains, N. Y. Miss Duffield has many friends in Norway, having spent a number of summer vacations in town the guest of Mrs. Ella Jewett Cole and Miss Mina Jewett.

Wilfred G. Conary from Buckport has opened a law office in the rooms in the Howe block over the music store. Mr. Conary is a graduate of the University of Maine, and has practiced law for 7 years. He was recently discharged from the service where he was a Lieutenant in the Field Artillery.

One of the pleasant occasions of last week was a shower tendered Miss Dorothy Thomas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Carroll, Paris street. The affair was in honor of the approaching marriage of Miss Thomas to Wilbur Downing. The guest of honor received many fine gifts. Refreshments were served. In the party were the Misses Annie and Louise Thomas, Laureline Foster, Mrs. Maude Austin, Mrs. Grace Carroll, Mrs. Grace Swift, Mrs. Amy

Proctor, Miss Elizabeth Downing, Miss Myrtle Scothorne, the hostess, and the guest of honor.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle is to meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Stephen B. Cummings.

A pleasant affair of the week was a gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Pendexter. Mr. Pendexter and Lyman Walter Stone celebrated their birthdays on the same day, and the party was arranged as a surprise to Mr. Pendexter, the others in the party comprising Mr. and Mrs. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Bickford, Mrs. Charles Akers, Vivian M. Akers and Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Stuart of South Paris. Mrs. Stone delighted the company with her music, and Mr. Pendexter furnished wit for the whole evening. Dr. Stuart and Mr. Stone recounted many interesting incidents of their life while in the service. Mrs. Pendexter served dainty refreshments, two fine birthday cakes being contributed by Mrs. Stone, who decorated them with candles, and as all were extinguished at precisely the same moment a long life filled with prosperity is predicted.

The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church have held their annual business meeting and appointed their chairman for the month of January, Mrs. Dora Brett and Mrs. Edith Bartlett.

Mt. Hope Hebrew Lodge held its regular meeting Friday evening. At the next meeting, the first work in February, a supper will be served at the usual time, after which there will be work on several candidates.

The weekly teachers' meeting of the Universalist Sunday school will be held Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Alice Danforth, Deering street.

Sunday was one of the coldest nights of the winter. The five inches of light snow that fell Saturday morning was piled in big drifts, Monday outside the village. Bolster's Mills reports the coldest place, the mercury dropping to 41 below.

Mrs. G. Oscar Bennett, who has been ill with an acute attack of diabetes and a bad carbuncle, is gaining and although on a strict diet is feeling much improved.

Guy and Eula Parker of East Stoneham were in town, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Curtis were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bates at West Paris.

Mrs. Bessie Chase Foss is the new manager at the Direct Importing store, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. C. E. Garcelon who returns to New Hampshire.

Charles P. Kimball was in Lewiston, Monday, to visit Mrs. Kimball at the C. M. G. Hospital, who is making a good recovery from recent surgery, and will be home in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howe and daughter, Roberta, have gone to Yaggon to visit Mr. Howe's father, John P. Howe, for a few weeks, owing to the illness of Mr. Howe.

Prof. George A. Yeaton is in Lebanon this week, attending a school of instruction in which he takes a prominent part. He will return Thursday probably.

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BORAX AND PLANT GROWTH

More Than Traces Are a Crop Menace

Borax is known to the chemist as a borate of sodium. The crystals are the common form in commerce and these carry water of crystallization equivalent to about half their weight. When the Federal Department of Agriculture and the fertilizer manufacturers speak of the amount of borax present in fertilizers they report it in terms of borate with the water of crystallization removed and call it anhydrous borax. Of course it is evident that when one speaks of the per cent of anhydrous borax this appears quite a bit less in amount than if the percentage of hydrated borax of commerce were given.

The mischief maker in the borax, whether anhydrous or not, is the element boron. Now boron is very widely distributed in nature and is often found in very minute amounts in plants. But it was not until the summer of 1918 that anyone suspected that commercial fertilizers might carry dangerous amounts of borax. But that year some farmers in Indiana had trouble with corn grown on certain brands of fertilizer and on investigation it was found that these goods contained quite a little amount of borax.

Some years ago the Federal Department of Agriculture found that small applications of borax to horse manure would prevent the leaching of the common house fly which eats horse manure and everything else in which to lay her eggs. They made wide publicity of this fact to reduce the fly evil for the fly had been found to be a carrier of typhoid and other diseases of man. To see what effect this borax treated manure would have when applied to crops the Federal Department instituted a series of trials of two different forms and found that it took quite large amounts per acre to produce noticeable damage. But the results were different on the two farms, one showing for more injury from the same amount on the same kind of crops than did the other.

The trouble with the Indiana fertilizer was traced to an American potash obtained from Seale Lake, California. Because of the war, because it is desirable to have an American supply of potash and because Seale Lake is the only real considerable source of American potash thus far found it was well-nigh necessary to use potash from this source in 1919 fertilizers or go without much potash in them. After looking over the results of the Federal Department of Agriculture's experiments with borax in stable manure the Bureau of Plant Industry of that Department in private letters to fertilizer makers said that it would appear as though potash salts containing borax could be used safely if the actual borax did not exceed 20 pounds in one ton.

As is well known some half dozen companies used this kind of potash salt to a greater or lesser extent in mixed fertilizers sold in Maine for the 1919 potato planting. The company whose goods gave the most trouble deposited entirely upon Seale Lake potash and the resulting injury, though by no means uniformly so, was in general proportion to the percentage of potash in their goods and the amount used per acre. In the case of the other companies, who used Seale Lake potash as only a partial source, the loss of crop while very serious in some instances in other cases on other soil gave little or no injury. So much so that some of these companies have been more or less disposed to try to find some other reason than the borax in their goods to account for the failures.

The Maine Agricultural Experiment Station has in its greenhouse potatoes and beans growing on these fertilizers that contained rather small amounts of borax due to the fact that Seale Lake potash was only used as a part source of the potash in the mixed goods. The soil used was a rich garden soil. The fertilizer was applied at the same rate it is applied in the field taking into consideration the size of the pots. In some the fertilizer was applied as it is such the planter either plow or hoe the seed piece, with little mixing with the soil; in others it was intimately mixed with the upper 6 inches of soil and with others it was mixed with the soil above or just below the seed piece. In some pots water was applied freely so that the soil was constantly moist to the touch and light. In others the water was sparingly given and the soil kept dry as possible and still make plant growth. There were of course check experiments where fertilizer containing no boron and no fertilizer were used.

With beans where the fertilizer was applied at the rate of 250 pounds per acre, the goods carrying borax either prevented germination or caused the plants to be so unhealthy that they de-

veloped little or no green in the leaves. The leaves were white with a yellow tinge and the growth of the plant practically stops with the first two sets of leaves. The checks germinated well and produced vigorous, rapidly growing, normal plants.

The Federal Department of Agriculture is saying this year that two pounds of borax per ton or per acre may be safely used. But the war grower in Maine will get his fertilizer for 1920 with the least possible traces of borax in it. And he will also get from the Station or the State Department of Agriculture directions and thoroughly sample as soon as the fertilizer is received and store in air tight containers, such as clean glass fruit jars, samples of the goods he uses in 1920. So that if he has any disaster to his crop that he thinks is attributable to the fertilizer or used that he will have an authoritative sample for later examination.

Chas. D. Woods, Director.

GIVING KIDDIES A SQUARE DEAL SOMETIMES MEANS "A SQUARE MEAL"

The child fed improperly is not getting a square deal in this world, however much else may be done for him by his parents. From start to finish he is under a handicap, mentally and physically, when in competition with those who have been given the right kind of food.

Surprising as it may seem, statistics show that the proportion of undernourished children in the better homes is large, just as it is in the homes of small incomes. The food served in the former may cost more and be in greater abundance, but it is quite as apt to be unsuitable for a growing child.

Wapella County, Iowa, is a prosperous community where comfortable homes are the rule and not the exception. Recently the county nurse and the home demonstration agent, with the aid of 10 volunteers, weighed and measured 2,189 children in the county. Of the children examined, 497 were below weight. Out of a group of 137 children in rural districts, who were weighed, measured, and inspected, only 5 were found to be normal.

To illustrate what proper diet will do for a child, two nutrition classes were started in Ottumwa schools. In one were eight children, each for 5 to 15 pounds under weight. They are being given one pint of milk daily for three months. One cup is given in the morning recess and one in the afternoon.

At the other school, a lunch is served at 10-15 each morning to the class selected. It consists of a large dish of well-cooked oatmeal, with sugar and whole milk, a glass of milk and graham crackers. The children are very eager for the plain wholesome food.

The records of gain are interesting. Every child has made at least a 2 pound gain. One 9 year old boy, 6 pounds underweight, has gained 8 pounds; and one 11 year old boy, 17 pounds underweight and in extremely poor physical condition, has gained 9 pounds, and his general health is much improved.

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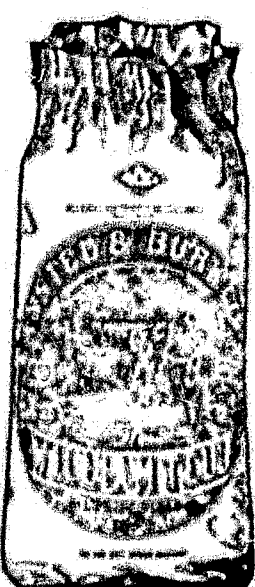
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RUMFORD

The editorial board for the Stephens High School Tribune, which is published each year by the Junior Class, has been elected as follows: Fred Orino, Editor-in-Chief; Evaline Kimball and Francis Hanlon, assistant editors; Donald Burditt and Priscilla Frow, business managers; Walter Meacham, athletic editor; Katherine Bushley, grinders; Yablola Tardiff, exchange editor; Marjorie Hawley, local editor; Rupert Clough, alumni editor; Tom Voter, artist.

The members of the Stephens High debating team have been chosen, and are as follows: Affirmative, Hudson Grennick, Arthur Burgeon, Sylvio Goss; Negative, Gerald O'Neill, John MacDonald, Miah Shea. The question for debate is: "Resolved that immigration into the United States should be prohibited for the next five years." Sixteen young men tried out for the teams, and debating interest in the school is high. Edward Little High of Auburn will debate our affirmative team here, the third Friday in March, and on the same night, our negative team will debate Lewiston High at Lewiston. The alternates on the two teams are Mike Gentile and John Hay.

A School Master's Club has been organized in Rumford for the purpose of bringing the teachers into closer touch, and for the advancement of educational principles. Mr. Shirley J. Rawson of Mexico is president.

A wedding of last week was that of Clement Connors and Miss Josephine Arenaluit, who were married at the Church of St. Jean de Baptiste, by Rev. Father LaPlante. The attendants were Joseph Arenaluit and Miss Marion Connors.

A very sudden death was that of Mrs. Demore Fortier, who passed away at the home of her daughter-in-law on Franklin street. Mrs. Fortier retired at about ten o'clock one evening, and the next morning was found dead in bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Romano are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Miss Rose Howe, who has been bookkeeper for the Charles Levin Company for the past year, has resigned her position with this company, and has accepted a position with the Rumford National Bank.

Miss Theresa Auger has been compelled to leave her studies at the convent in Biddeford, and return to her home on Main avenue, on account of an attack of acute appendicitis.

Mr. John E. Stephens, who each year has served as the leader from Oxford County to the Boys' Conference, has had to decline to serve this year on account of ill health, and has appointed Mr. Daniel Phelps in his place. The conference is to be held at Lewiston on Jan. 23rd to 25th, inclusive.

Rev. Fr. Cramillon, who has been assistant to Rev. Father LaPlante for the past year or more at the French Catholic church and parish, has been transferred to the Waterville church, assistant to Fr. Cramillon Fr. Harvey of Biddeford will succeed Fr. Cramillon as assistant at the Rumford church.

Edmond Bigelow of the National Board has been in Rumford, recently, and attended a meeting of the Rumford Band Association. He enlisted the organization to serve as the Third Infantry Band. The entire equipment will be furnished, and director Clinton M. Foster has been placed in charge. The equipment is for a period of three years.

Hon. Frederick O. Eaton of Bangor has made the following announcement to the voters of Oxford County: "I am a candidate for State Senator from Oxford County at the next primary election, and shall very much appreciate your support." Mr. Eaton served the last two sessions of the Legislature as Representative from Rumford, and was placed on the appropriate and financial committee, one of the important ones of the Legislature.

It has been many years since the part of Oxford County has been honored with a Senator.

The severe cold snap of Sunday and Monday culminated in some pretty low thermometers, readings along the up country line of the Maine Central being: Kennebago, 22 degrees below; Houghton, 20 degrees below; Mechanic Falls, 22 degrees below; Poland, 20 degrees below. Sunday was an extremely cold day in the Lake country, 12 degrees below, with the wind blowing a gale.

The snow of Friday night and Saturday was most gladly welcomed, as the ground was freezing very deep, on account of the intense cold weather and

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so little snow. Much trouble has been experienced in the freezing of house water pipes, but as yet none of the Water District mains of the town have frozen.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marchee are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a child. Mrs. Marchee was before her marriage Miss Victoria Orino.

Mr. Walter Smart of Portland, representing Merrill Oldham & Co., bond dealers, of Boston, has been in town this week.

SONGO POND

F. L. Edwards was at Patten's mill, Tuesday.

Mrs. Ellsworth Wilbur is stopping for a while at her father's, Roscoe Emery's.

Mrs. A. B. Kimball and Miss Ina Good were guests of Mrs. Tom Logan one day last week.

Sorry to report that Shirley Haselton is on the sick list. Dr. Tibbets is attending him.

Vellings, 10c yd. L. M. STEARNS, ad Edith, Mae and Francis Wilbur are guests of their aunt, Mrs. Tom Logan. Miss Ida Haselton is stopping for a while with her father, Shirley Haselton.

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MASON

E. H. Morrill has recently driven a well. F. I. Bean assisted him.

Ernest Morrill's acquiescent has frozen, also Myron Morrill's.

F. I. Bean is stopping at Bethel at present.

Ladies' Luncheon Handkerchiefs, 15c, at L. M. STEARNS, ad

Several from town attended the Grange meeting at West Bethel, Tuesday evening of last week.

Mrs. A. M. Garey of West Sumner, who has been caring for Mrs. H. O. Grover for the past few weeks, has returned home for a short stay.

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DIXFIELD

A very interesting meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society was held at the chapel Sunday evening. The leaders were Vivian Knox and Oscar Austin. Interesting facts regarding the lives of noted men were given as follows: "Dr. Livingston," Rev. R. E. Gilkey, "Billy Sunday," J. P. Edmonds, "The Apostle Peter," H. O. Rowe, "Why We Should Be Christians," W. M. White. Miss Edna Edmonds acted as pianist for the evening.

Fred Wild, who has been confined to the house by illness the past few weeks, greatly appreciated the thoughtfulness of his friends in sending him a post card shower, last week. Mr. Wild received over seventy and he has greatly enjoyed the personal sentiments contained therein. He is much improved in health as his many friends are glad to learn.

Miss Ruth Chaney, one of the village teachers, was a guest for the week end of relatives at East Wilton.

William Andrews, who has been a guest for the past week of his father, Philip Andrews, and at the home of his sister, Mrs. Orlando Dabier, and family, has returned to his home in Massachusetts.

F. W. Smith is at work in the office of the Dixfield Toothpick Company.

ANDOVER

Ted Hewey has been ill with tonsillitis the past week.

Mrs. Herbert Morton is ill with the mumps.

The schools at the village were not in session Monday forenoon on account of the cold.

Saturday six inches of snow fell and early Sunday morning the wind began to blow and continued all day, while the thermometer registered below zero.

Many of the farmers have lost their aqueduct water the past few days.

Rena Bodwell visited Mary Hewey, Sunday.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met Saturday evening. The first prizes were won by Mrs. Charles Bartlett and Charles Poor, the consolation prizes by Charles Bartlett and Mrs. Frank Thomas. Refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and cake were served.

Mrs. Joel Morton, who was so very ill in the early fall, is much better.

The Andover boys played a game of basketball at Bethel last week with a score of 21 to 32 in favor of Bethel.

R. A. Grover has been confined to the house with rheumatism.

Willis Kilgore, who has been quite ill, is much better.

Miss Annie Gregg and sister, Mrs. Bailey, are moving into their house, recently purchased of Albert Berry.

Mrs. Wirt Lovejoy was at Rumford, Monday of last week.

Guy Learned is hauling birch to the spool mill from North Andover.

Loane M. Grange held its installation of officers Saturday. John Bailey, assisted by Mrs. Bailey, installed them in an able manner. A song was sung by John Henry Sweet and a reading given by Miss Annie O'Leary.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs. R. A. Grover, Thursday of last week. The following entertainments were given for the year: Entertainment, Mrs. Charles Bartlett, Mrs. Florence Learned, Mrs. Lottie Numan, Mrs. Lizzie Poor.

Domestic, Mrs. Emma Pratt, Mrs. Edith Mitchell, Mrs. Jessie Merrill. Refreshments, Mrs. Nellie Dunning, Marion Lang, Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mrs. Flora Bodwell, Candy, Mrs. Ray Thurston, Margaret Averill, Mrs. Lois Harris.

Fancy Work, Mrs. Roger Thurston, Mrs. C. A. Rand, Mrs. Mina DeLong, Grab, Mrs. Fred French, Mrs. Albert Crossman, Food Sale, Mrs. Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Etta Perkins, Mrs. Frank Field.

Collectors, May French, Ellen Akers, Visiting, Monday, Emma Lovejoy; Tuesday, Mrs. R. A. Grover; Wednesday, Mrs. C. A. Rand; Thursday, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston; Friday, Mrs. Ellen Learned; Saturday, Mrs. Carrie Morton.

Word has been received by friends in town of the recent death of Rev. William F. B. Jackson at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles E. McCoy, at Kenosha, Wisconsin. Mr. Jackson had an attack of pneumonia late in the year and had not fully recovered from its effects when he became ill with heart trouble. He was about 57 years of age and had been pastor of St. Stephen's Episcopal church in Providence, R. I., for many years. When a young man he came to Andover one summer for his

health and each succeeding summer for over fifty years he and his family were guests at some of the boarding houses or hotels. He was a kind, generous hearted man, and made friends with the people whom he met about the town, where he will be much missed as each summer comes and his well known face is not again seen. Mr. Jackson leaves two sons by a former marriage and a daughter, Mrs. Charles E. McCoy of Wisconsin by his second marriage. The remains were carried to Providence for burial in his family lot.

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GROVER HILL

The first road breaking of the year, Jan. 19th.

Mrs. Harry A. Lyon and daughter, Elvira, returned from a three weeks' visit with relatives at Auburn, Monday.

Mrs. A. B. Grover recently called at the home of her brother, Chester Wheeler, in Gilead.

Vellings, 10c yd. L. M. STEARNS, ad Miss Amy Wheeler has not been very well for the past few days.

Miss Ida M. Haselton is assisting in the care of her brother, Shirley Haselton, who is quite ill at his home in Albany.

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WEST PARIS

Rev. H. A. Markley was at Bethel, Mason, Locke's Mills and Bryant's Pond, Monday and Tuesday in the work of the rural survey for the inter-church movement.

Mr. Emery of Sanford, Secretary of the Civic League, gave a very interesting address at the Universalist church, Sunday morning.

Sunday evening under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., a union prohibition service was held at the Universalist church. Rev. A. Raita, Rev. H. H. Hathaway and Rev. H. A. Markley and Mr. Emery took part in the service. There were essays and singing by the School and singing by White Ribbon Chorus.

Rev. Edwin Cortland Bolles, D. D., whose death occurred Sunday, Jan. 11, at his home, College Ave., Tufts College, Mass., was well known here, having for many years been a summer visitor in West Paris. He always enjoyed the quiet of the town, and saw much in the scenery which he admired, and was always deeply interested in the Universalist church, coming to Maine especially to preach the dedication sermon.

For more than twenty years he had been professor of history at Tufts College and college chaplain. Until his recent illness he had not been absent from morning services at the college chapel for over one thousand mornings. Last June he preached the baccalaureate sermon for Tufts and Jackson colleges. He had been totally blind for several years but went about Tufts unaided. Services were held at Tufts, Dr. Bishop of the Universalist Leader and Dr. McAllister officiating, and the remains were taken to Evergreen Cemetery, Portland, for interment.

The officers of Granite Lodge, F. & A. M., have been installed by District Deputy Grand Master R. H. Eastman of Norway:

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Chaplain—J. E. Brock.
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Tyler—A. L. Bacon.

Delegates from the Sunday schools attended the Boys' Conference in Lewiston last week, Edward Stillwell from the Universalist school, Earl Bane from the Federated school, and Willie Heikinen from the Finnish Congregational school.

H. G. Brown has been having a serious time with his eye, caused by a spark flying from the coal stove. Mrs. Brown has been quite poorly this winter.

Considerable excitement was caused Friday noon when the church bells rang to celebrate the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution. Many thought there was a fire.

Sunday evening under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., a union prohibition service was held at the Universalist church. The school assisted by essays and music.

The officers elect of West Paris Grange were installed at Bryant's Pond, Saturday, a state officer doing the work.

West Paris Grange presented worthy Master D. A. Grover and Mrs. Grover, the lecturer, last Saturday, a handsome oak rocker in recognition of their efficient services in the grange during the past two years.

John Richardson was a visitor in Bethel, N. H., last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Coffin of Portland have been visiting his mother, Mrs. Lilla Coffin.

William Garneau of Bethel, N. H., is working at Leighton's mill and boarding at Albert Noy's.

Ladies' Luncheon Handkerchiefs, 15c, at L. M. STEARNS, ad

Edward Holder was in Bethel, N. H., last Thursday.

Albert Sicut and family have moved into one of J. E. Richardson's rents.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coffin were guests of his father, P. B. Coffin, in Bethel, N. H., last week.

Hair Ribbons, 25c per yd. at L. M. STEARNS, ad

There was a social dance at the Town Hall last Saturday evening and music was furnished by the Bethel Orchestra of Bethel, N. H. A good crowd attended and ice cream was served at intermission.

Miss Harriet Daniels has gone to Westbrook, P. Q., to attend school for the winter.

JAMES SIMPSON

The many friends of James Simpson were saddened to learn of his death which occurred at the St. Louis Hospital in Bethel, N. H., Saturday evening, Jan. 10. So quietly, yet so swiftly did death's angel come that only a few intimate friends knew of his illness. He was taken to the St. Louis Hospital on Thursday suffering from appendicitis and pneumonia, a complication that would have been hard for a much younger man to overcome.

Mr. Simpson was born in Danf, Scotland, March 2, 1856, and received his

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Dr. Austin Tenney, Oculist. December visit to Bethel postponed. Next visit announced later.

splendid education in the schools of that place. He came to this country about 38 years ago, landing in Boston in which city he lived about a year. While there he became acquainted with Judge Robert Burbank who persuaded him to come to Shelburne, N. H., and work for him on his summer place, the White Mountain Stock Farm. Later he became the manager of this farm, which position he held for several years. Mr. Simpson served the town of Shelburne as selectman, town clerk, notary public, postmaster and member of the school board. He also acted as superintendent of the Sunday school and assisted in every way he could for the welfare of the town. He was a charter member of Winthrop Grange, and also a member of the Gorham Lodge of Masons. He was a member of St. Barnabas Episcopal church, Berlin.

In April, 1898, he married Mary Agnes Kildan, and three daughters were born to them, who are left to mourn his loss. Elizabeth, wife of Irving Leigh of this town; Gertrude, wife of Cyr

il Foster of Gorham, and Alixena, who is in the Nurses' Training School of the Maine General Hospital, Portland, and who tenderly cared for her father during his last illness. Mrs. Simpson died in 1900. Mr. Simpson also leaves one brother and two sisters in Banff Scotland; one brother in South Africa, and another brother, John, in South Paris.

He was a loving father, a kind and helpful neighbor and a good townsman. He will be sadly missed by a large circle of friends.

The funeral services were held at St. Barnabas church, Berlin, on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at one o'clock. Rev. Hubert Wood officiating. The vested choir sang "Now The Laborer's Task is O'er," "The King of Love, My Shepherd Here," and "There Is a Blessed Home." There were many beautiful flowers, among them were an anchor from the grange, a wreath of roses from near relatives, bouquets from friends and a beautiful white cross from St. Barnabas. The body was taken to Gorham and placed in the receiving tomb.

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H. D. McAllister is confined to his bed on account of a burst varicose vein.

Inez Elwell, who is employed in the telephone office at Canton, spent the week end at her home here.

NORTH PARIS

I. E. Littlefield and Henry Billings are working for the Wheeler Lumber Co., hauling timber from the wood lot purchased of John Butterfield, on which the Company is doing an extensive business.

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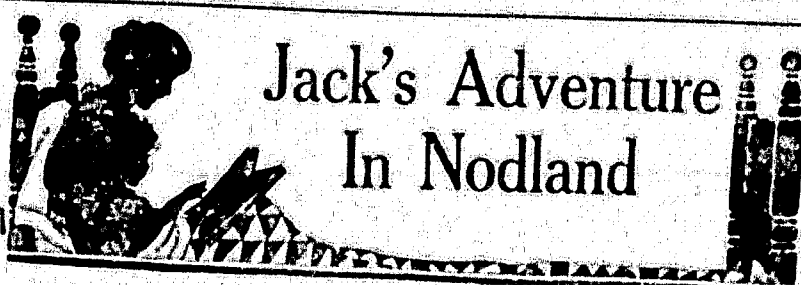
The late Henry P. Heinz, who achieved both fame and fortune through the "57 varieties" was a firm believer in the inability of the tail to wag the dog. "Extravagance is the bane of America," he once said. "And why are we extravagant? For the fun of it? No. For the neighbors' sake."

"I knew a man who awoke very late one winter's night and found his wife returning shivering to the room. 'What was that loud noise I heard and what are you doing in the cold?' he asked."

"It's all right dear," his wife answered. "You see people are just coming home from the opera and I just slipped down and slammed the door hard so that the neighbors would think we'd been there."

One of the objects of the thrift and savings campaign of the Savings Division of the Treasury Department is to call attention of the people of America to the fact that it is not worth a bare foot trip in the cold to dam the door on a neighbor's opinion of spending, and that possession of government savings securities, War Savings Stamps and Treasury Savings Certificates offers better evidence of prosperity than extravagant and useless buying.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT: — Extravagance rots character; train your way from it. On the other hand, the habit of saving money, while it stiffens the will, also brightens the energies. If you would be sure you are beginning right, begin to save.



Jack's Adventure In Nodland

By LOWELL AMES NOHRIS

"I don't want to go to bed," complained Jack, after his mother snapped off the electric light and went down stairs. "Everybody else sits up at New Year's Eve and I don't see why I can't."

"You don't really want to," piped a small voice at his elbow.

"Why not?" demanded Jack.

"Because I couldn't see you then," the small voice continued. "I go on duty at twelve o'clock for three hundred and sixty-five days and I've come here to visit with you until then. I'm 1920, the New Year."

Jack looked around—the room was deserted. "Hark I am," said the voice as Jack glanced down at the pillow.

"The smallest, jolliest, happiest man I have ever seen."

"You and I are going to visit the home of 'Past Years,'" said the stranger.

The next instant Jack found himself with the small man outside a huge house on the top of a high hill, which seemed to dominate the entire world. He rapped on the door of the massive stone house. The door flew open.

Inside stood a lot of little ladies and gentlemen some of whom looked familiar to Jack. He asked his guide who they were. New Year replied that these in uniform were the "War Years" 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915 and that they were arranging a celebration to honor the return of the Peace Year, 1919. "The ladies are last years," 1920 whispered to Jack.

Suddenly Jack heard a noise which reminded him of "singing time at the Rock House." He asked 1920 what it was, and the little man mentioned for him to follow. They saw a green door, which Jack opened. Never in his life

had he seen so many hideous, deformed and ugly creatures. Whining and screaming they fought continuously.

"Who on earth are those horrid beings?" said Jack, "and who is that one leading them?"

"Those are the bad resolutions which always return to us just before Christmas, when everyone on earth exchanges them for good resolutions," The New Year pointed across the hall to a cheerful miniature dormitory which was deserted. "And that is the place for the good resolutions which return not kept."

"You mean they come back here?"

"Yes," said 1920. "You have been taught thrift in school. You know thrift means wise saving."

"I know all about it," said Jack. "Our schoolroom has bought more Thrift Stamps than any other room in the city, and I have six War Savings Stamps and father gave me a Treasury Savings Certificate on Christmas to give me a start for college."

"Hark now to keep the good resolutions in the world by being thrifty, Jack."

A clock commenced to strike.

"Twelve o'clock," said 1920, and as he spoke began to grow and grow until he was as old as Jack's big brother.

"I am due back in the world," New Year vanished.

Jack awoke with a start. In the streets he could hear the sound of horns, bells and cheers of the people.

"Oh," said Jack, yawning and rubbing his eyes, "1920 is here." Then he remembered his dream adventure.

"I certainly am going to keep my thrift resolutions," Jack had made his first start toward success.

Y. W. C. A. CALLS BIG CONVENTION

2,000 Women Expected to Gather in Cleveland the Week of April 13-20, 1920, for National Convention.

MEETING POSTPONED TWO YEARS BY WAR

Delegates Will Discuss New Membership Basis for Students and Question of Future Support for Work. Many Other Things.

The Young Women's Christian Association of the United States of America will meet in national convention in Cleveland, O., the week of April 13 to 20, having postponed the convention from the spring of 1918 in order to comply with a government request that expense and travel be reduced to a minimum during the war.

The department on conventions and conferences of the National Y. W. C. A., of which Mrs. Harry Emerson Fosdick is chairman, estimates an attendance of 2,000 women, representing all departments of Y. W. C. A. work—board members, secretaries, students, club girls, Girl Reserves, girls from Industrial Service Centers, women from the International Institutes for foreign born women, members from city, town and country Associations.

Each Association in the United States will be entitled to one voting delegate for every one hundred voting members in the Association.

Two of the most important questions which will come up before the convention will be the membership basis and the question of support. Of old business to be considered the most important question will be the membership basis for student associations, the granting of charter membership privilege to the Chicago Young Women's Christian Association and a recommendation of the National Board of the Association will also be presented.

Rev. Charles W. Gilkey, pastor of Hyde Park Baptist Church, Chicago, will give a series of morning addresses during the convention week. Dr. Robert E. Speer, secretary to the Foreign Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church, North, will also give an address. Mrs. Speer is chairman of the National Board of the Y. W. C. A.

The convention will be in session morning and evening, the afternoon being given over to sectional meetings held in various churches. Attendance at these meetings will be determined by group membership and also by activities.

Mrs. W. P. Harford of Omaha, Neb., will preside at the opening session, having been elected as president at last convention of the Young Women's Christian Association, held in Los Angeles in 1915.

The committee on business to come before the convention has for its chairwoman Mrs. John French and includes among its members Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Miss Eliza Butler, sister of Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University; Miss Martha McCook, Miss Mabel Crafty, general secretary for the National Board of the Y. W. C. A., and Mrs. William Adams Brown, all of New York city.

TOWN GIRLS TO HAVE Y. W. C. A.

Association Maintains 52 Town Secretaries—Wants to Expand Work at Once.

"During the war girls all over the world had their first lesson in nation wide and world wide thinking," says Miss Isabel Head, director of Town and Country Work for the National Y. W. C. A.

"Girls learned something of the inspiration of working with hundreds and hundreds of other girls, unselfishly and unostentatiously, through the Cross work. Now the Y. W. C. A. through its world wide program of service for women is planning to expand its work so that girls all over the world, and particularly in smaller communities, will not lose this experience."

"Unselfish forums are being organized for girls in small communities, where girls may come together to learn more about their country and their responsibility to it and as citizens of the world."

"Reading courses have been planned at National Headquarters in New York so that a girl in any community may carry on a course of study, either by herself or with other girls, on a wide variety of subjects."

"The Y. W. C. A. has at present thirty-five secretaries doing county work. This means that they travel about from one community to another helping girls to plan out social, recreational, educational and religious activities for themselves and organizing them to carry on these activities. These secretaries work with the county agents of the Department of Agriculture in carrying on home economics work. They help plan parent-teacher conferences, assist the girls in going to Y. W. C. A. summer conferences and help plan all sorts of social good times for the community."

Two Lovers

By RALPH HAMILTON

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The bells of the village, Gladys Murry, had two aspirants for her favor upon whom she bestowed especial attention.

They were Alan Druse and Morton Bayne—opposites in every sense of the word. They had each attracted Gladys and it was difficult for her to decide which appealed to her liking most: Alan, with his flashing, loving ways, or Morton, with a soul enwrapped in music and seeming always in a poetic dream.

Alan loved her, or fancied he did, and his vivacious ways bade fair in the eyes of the gossips to outvie Morton so far as courting went. It had begun to dawn upon Gladys, however, that Alan was somewhat frivolous.

It was all Morton with Gladys when, in the church choir at entertainments, or passing an evening in the Murry home he wrought from his violin bewitching witchery of harmony and expression that caused her heartstrings to quiver with a rare delight. He had never, however, hinted at anything more than friendship. His income was modest and seemed a steady one, for a number of his compositions had become generally popular and likely to remain so, and out of royalties he had received he had already accumulated several thousand dollars.

Gladys fluttered visibly one evening when Morton appeared at her home while Alan was already in evidence. Somehow the manner of the latter had indicated to her that he was on the verge of a proposal, and she had wondered how she could seek to evade a direct decision, feeling instinctively that she secretly knew her own mind as yet. A certain shyness overcame the face of Alan as he discerned that he was not to have Gladys exclusively for that evening at least. He looked bored as the parents' in-laws on some music and Morton, ever accommodating, brought out his violin.

It was in the midst of a lovely sonata that entranced all his auditors save Alan that the unexpected happened. Gladys was seated by the lamp on the table when there was a quick hiss and then a sudden outburst of flame. She uttered a wild scream, her hands went up to her face with frantic suddenness. Alan sprang back, quite unnerve and affrighted. Morton cast aside his violin with a fling and sprang toward her, noting that one sleeve of the light, dainty dress she wore was all ablaze. There was a second explosion, and he had extinguished the flaming dress when his eyes closed with a spasm of pain. Then—darkness, so utter for himself that he groped blindly about him.

"Is Gladys safe?" fell from his lips in an eager, anxious gasp. "I cannot see! I fear—"

There he paused, appalled. In vain he strove to strain his darkened vision. It was only from the exclamations of the others that he could trace what was happening: Gladys, insensible and sustaining frightful face burns from the second explosion, himself helpless to assist her. The injured girl carried to her room, a collapse on his own part, a fading away of all consciousness, his feeble, bewildering return, and a realization that old Doctor Moore was at his side examining his eyes.

"The probably saved Gladys by extinguishing her flaming dress," Morton caught the physician's tones, "but at a terrible cost—he is utterly blind!"

It was many days before the lives of those disturbed by the startling event of the explosion settled down into the old peaceful groove. Only one did Alan Druse call at the Murry home. He was genuinely solicitous. A glance into the room, a sight of Gladys so shocked him that soon he left the house, never to return. And Gladys, understanding, turned her head on her pillow and wept bitterly. Then, when her nurse had left her alone, she stole to a mirror with her eyes almost affrighted as she staggered back to the couch. Her beauty was gone! She realized now why Alan Druse had fled as from a pestilence.

It was a week later that Morton Bayne knew the secret. He was told that his case was hopeless. For a time that gentle, sensitive soul was dumb. Then in answer, in self-counsel and prayer he emerged, chastened, patient, with a rare smile upon his face and his mind at perfect peace.

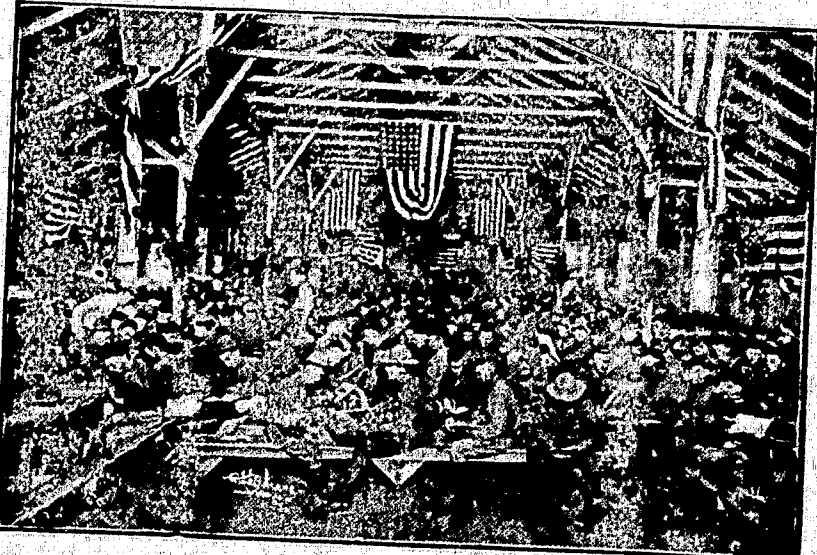
"There is much," he whispered rapidly to himself, and then, half doubtfully, but with a longing quiver in his tone: "There is Gladys to dream of, so love, even though she never thinks of the sake as a friend."

The mother of Gladys one day led the welcome adored hero who had saved the life of her daughter into the room where that daughter sat. She left those two afflicted ones alone, went out and closed the door. Before that patient face and the sightless eyes and at a thought of what this sacrifice meant to her, Gladys impulsively extended her trembling hands to meet the groping ones of her visitor.

"Morton!" she sobbed that name only, and her head fell upon his breast.

The face of the blind man was momentarily glorified—heart to heart, he could feel the responsive thrill to his ardent own, and for there he had a soul a light that could never dim—the radiance of lasting, perfect love.

Were the "Y" Huts Popular?



"Standing Room Only" was the rule at Army Y. M. C. A. Buildings when the men were off duty. This is a Typical Interior Scene—Does It Answer the Question?

N. E. GIRL ACCOMPLISHES WONDERS AT BREST

"Y" Worker Wins Praise of Doughboys at Great Camp.

Boston:—"You have made of this place a shrine, where all who enter are made better."

That was the verdict an American doughboy passed upon a library fitted up by a Boston girl, Miss Hortense Colby of 1127 Commonwealth Avenue and her associates in France according to a report just received from Miss Anne Watson of Chicago, at the Northeastern Dept. of the National War Work Council, Y. M. C. A.

Miss Watson who was regional director of women's work for the Y. M. C. A. in the district surrounding Brest has the following to say of the remarkable accomplishments of Miss Colby and the other young women associated with her at Coetquidan:

"A great artillery camp, gleaming high upon the Brittany hills, a lonely and isolated spot miles away from a city, only sky and blue-hazed hills dotted with chateaux to be seen. Here fresh from America with all its bustle and variety came by the thousands of young men to be trained for field artillery at the front. They had landed in what they called the mud-hole of the world. They had seen during September and October many of their comrades die from the influenza epidemic. They came into camp after long, hot dusty marches overland, after long bivouacs in French villages. They were disillusioned as to war and its glamor, sick already of the great adventure. Strangers in a strange land of new brothers, an alien tongue and alien customs and manners about them; so homesick that all other sicknesses were forgotten—here surely was a fine field for service. Here it was the American woman showed her versatility, common sense and resourcefulness through months of trying work."

In May 1918, there were two large huts, one at either end of the great camp. In June, an officers' club house and a recreation hall for enlisted men, also a Y. M. C. A. mess hall and headquarters building, were erected in the center of the camp. About the middle of May much against the wishes of some of the army officials, women were assigned to the camp, the first two being Miss Agnes Morrow of the Wellesley Unit and Miss Hortense Colby of Boston. In June, Miss Dorothy Dennis and Miss Alice Lindley were assigned to the officers' club. The conditions under which these women first served were primitive and difficult. But, by sheer pluck and initiative they proved the value and necessity for women's work in a strictly military camp.

"From 20,000 to 30,000 men were in training from five to six weeks before the usual length of time allotted was but six weeks and a few Y. M. C. A. men to serve the huge encampment. It was far from the base of supplies. There stood daily outside of the hut doors thousands of men clamoring for all kinds of material, physical, mental and moral. Some way that material had to be found. The huts were cheerless, they had

to be made attractive. They were bare and poorly constructed. Material was difficult to obtain. The girls enlisted the aid of the boys and with their help built chairs, settees, davenport picture frames and tables. Curtains and lamp shades were devised and in the officers' club a huge fireplace was built.

"Slowly, after months of effort, the huts from barren shells of flimsy boards were transformed into living rooms, writing rooms, libraries, good kitchens and well-equipped auditoriums with stages homemade scenery drop curtains and other accessories.

"During the summer of 1918 before the staff of the Y. M. C. A. had been increased all the huts were sadly lacking in sufficient personnel. It was then the women showed their versatility and their capacity to do hard labor and maintain the strain of long hours. The girls would help in the sweeping of the big rooms, where the mud was caked thickly on the floor, the deposit of thousands of shoes passing in and out from daybreak until late at night. They dusted. They mended. Incessantly they strove to keep in order the 20 or 30 writing tables with their constantly increasing debris of discarded or soiled paper, candy boxes, nut shells, cracker and cookie boxes, cigar and cigarette stubs by the million.

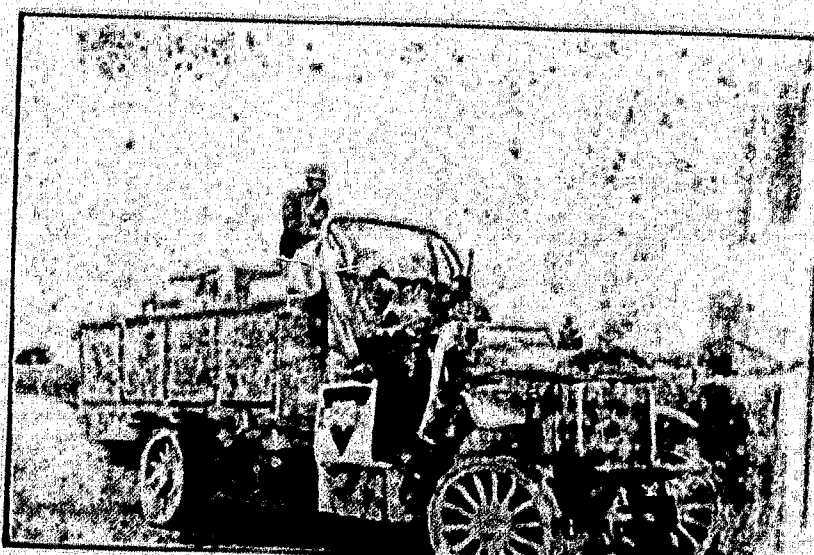
"In the kitchen they prepared all kinds of cold drinks, squeezing two or three cases of lemons by hand in one morning. In every department of the physical operation of the hut the 'Y' women were represented from chopping wood to making some dainty for a sick or ailing boy. Their counsel was sought by the men secretaries and a true home maintained through this co-operation.

GOING TO SCHOOL IN GERMANY. Boston:—Night school is flourishing on the banks of the Rhine. Such is the word which is received from this fertile section of Germany, where 12,000 American soldiers are on patrol duty, looking after the interests of the United States in particular and the world in general.

The reports of Harry A. Eastman, general field secretary for the Y. M. C. A. with the American forces in Germany received at Northeastern Department headquarters show that the soldiers have enrolled in large numbers in all classes conducted and that the night school is becoming more popular every week. A vast majority of the student-soldiers are taking courses in French and German.

Class rooms have been fitted up to school purposes and while the classes have been handicapped somewhat for lack of equipment, office furniture of various kinds has been used to advantage. The teachers have shown the greatest interest in the work, and it is certain that many soldiers who are sight-seeing along the Rhine will return to the United States great benefited by night school work in Germany.

Beware Gas!



"Y" Supplies for the Boys Going to the Trenches through a Gas Infested Zone. One of the Many Trucks Driven by "Y" Secretaries.

